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SUBJECT: FRENCH AMBASSADOR TO CONAKRY

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1. PRIME MINISTER CHIRAC'S DIPLOMATIC ADVISOR TOLD DCM OCTOBER 22 THAT FRENCH HAVE REQUESTED AGREEMENT FOR ANDRE LEWIN (PROPER SPELLING OF LAST NAME) AS AMBASSADOR TO GUINEA. OUR IMPRESSIONS OF LEWIN JIBE WITH REFTEL DESCRIPTION. ADDITIONAL BIOGRAPHIC INFORMATION FOLLOWS:

2. BORN IN FRANKFURT - AM-MAIN OF A FRENCH FATHER AND A GERMAN MOTHER, ANDRE RODERICH LEWIR, 41, HOLDS DEGREES IN LAW, POLITICAL SCIENCE, AND LETTERS. FOLLOWING TWO YEARS AT THE NATIONAL SCHOOL FOR ADMINISTRATION (ENA) LEWIN ENTERED GOVERNMENT SERVICE IN 1961 AS A SUB-PREFECT AT GHARDAIA. IN 1962 HE MOVED TO THE MINISTRY OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS SERVING SUCCESSIVELY WITH THE BUREAUS FOR ASIA-OCEANIC AFFAIRS (1962) CULTURAL AND TECHNICAL AFFAIRS (1963) AND WITH THE CABINET OF THE FOREIGN MINISTER (1967-1968), BEFORE BECOMING CHIEF OF CABINET FOR THE MINISTER OF

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POSTS AND TELECOMMUNICATIONS, ANDRE BETTENCOURT, IN

1968. LEWIN FOLLOWED BETTANCOURT AS HIS CHIEF OF CABINET WHEN THE LATTER WAS NAMED MINISTER IN CHARGE OF THE NATIONAL PLANNING COMMISSION IN 1969. LEWIN BECAME PRESS SPOKESMAN FOR THE SECRETARY GENERAL OF THE UNITED NATIONS IN 1972 AND HAS ASSISTED THE SECRETARY GENERAL SINCE THAT TIME. HE IS ALSO A PROFESSOR AT THE INSTITUTE FOR POLITICAL STUDIES OF PARIS AS WELL AS A LECTURER AT THE NATIONAL SCHOOL FOR ADMINISTRATION.

LEWIN'S INTERESTS INCLUDE MUSIC AND SKIN DIVING. HE IS MARRIED TO THE FORMER CELINE DAHAN AND HAS TWO CHILDREN, PATRICIA AND STEPHANE.  
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